

Rain Saved The Lives Of Young Ducks And Muskrats

This week's warm rains have put our farmers in a happy mood. The strawberry crop was on the verge of disaster and turnips were withering in a bed of dust. Rain also benefits our wildlife. Broods of wild ducks are revelling in brimming ponds and flooded swamps. During periods of extended drought mother ducks have to lead their broods over long stretches of open country in order to reach the life saving water and suffer heavy losses in so doing. Once a crow spots a brood in difficulties he calls in all other crows within hearing and in a matter of minutes a ganging attack is in progress. Often whole broods are wiped out on such a journey. Many young muskrats perish during periods of extended drought. A few years back ponds dried up and left their beds criss-crossed with gaping cracks for the first time within memory.

fraid that under such circumstances the mother bear would have pulled the seat out of his pants in nothing flat and it would have been a case of him running with the bear behind.

Backstretch

(Continued from page 6) stintingly of his time and energy to reach them an outstanding success. Even if you are not the owner of a horse, or not greatly interested in them, we believe you will be surprised and delighted to learn that so many breeders in these three provinces are planning to come to Charlottetown to watch their young trotters and pacers perform.

Following are the classes and entries:

2 YEAR OLD TROT AND PACE

1. Lady Lou Hal, by True Hal Nominated by Dr. J.T. Akins, Fredericton, N.B., Owned by W. A. Roberts, Durham Bridge, N.B.

2. Lord P. Lakeburn, by Lakeburn, Nominated by Alvin C. DeWitt, Fredericton, N.B., Owned by Garnet Ashfield, Fredericton, N.B.

3. Marilyn Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by Read Stevenson Rustico, P.E.I.

4. Lady Hilda Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by J.E. Keough Winnipeg, Manitoba., and Fred Kenny, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

5. Jolly Mike, by Jollity, Nominated by Douglas Hill, Charlottetown, P.E.I., Owned by Clifford Sherren, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

6. Mr. Flicka, by Cyclonic, Owned by Leo Collins, Montague, P.E.I.

7. Karen Lynn, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by Bob Stevenson, Parkdale, P.E.I.

8. Partner's Dream, by Basil Hanover, Owned by Don Grace, Brookline St. Antigonish, N.S.

9. Cinderella Jean, by Cyclonic, Owned by Annear and Lowery, Montague, P.E.I.

10. Marley Pride, by Simco Harvester, Owned by Annear and Lowery, Montague, P.E.I.

11. Redola's Hal, by True Hal Owned by Clarence Woodbridge, Covehead Road, P.E.I.

12. Freddy's Dream, by Basil Hanover, Owned by F. Robert Leard, Mt. Stewart, P.E.I.

13. Trickle Chief, by Laure Chief, Owned by George H. Brookins, Kensington, P.E.I.

14. Bonaventure, by Laurel Chief, Nominated by George H. Brookins, Kensington, P.E.I. Owned by Peter McMahon, Kensington, P.E.I.

15. Dianna's Girl, by True Hal Owned by Gerad Fitzpatrick, Woodville Mills, P.E.I.

16. Garry Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by Mrs. James Poulton, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

17. Harry Hal, by True Hal Nominated by Lorne Hennessey, 251 Queen Street, Charlottetown, Owned by Mrs. Don Seaman, and Mrs. J. MacGregor, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

18. Kerrybrook, by Luckey Chief Owned by Wilfred Walker, 218 Dutch Village Road, Halifax, N.S.

19. Come On Billy by Seven Up Direct, Owned by Sharen Walker, Halifax, N.S.

20. Dreamy Guy, by Time Table Owned by Murdock Nicholson, Springton, P.E.I.

21. Miss Honey, Single by Watchim, Nominated by A.D. Napke, Box 339, Newcastle, N.B. Owned by Mrs. W.A. Roberts, Durham Bridge, n.b.

3 YEAR OLD PACE

1. Jean's Pride, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by Harry O'Brien, Alberton, P.E.I.

2. Angie C. By Abner T. Clegg

WELCOME RAIN

A bounteous rainfall benefits every thing and every one. Worms remain on the surface, not several feet underground, and their hungry brood. I have watched them hopping on a lawn when suddenly one will stop, cock its head to one side, take a few hops and pull a big fat earth worm out of the ground. What amazes this columnist is that I have yet to see one break in the process. It comes out intact in all its fat, squirmy length. Let you or I try it and it comes out in sections. Insect life, including mosquitoes, is exceptionally abundant this summer thanks to the rain. Sunday afternoon I watched a tiny, bright yellow song bird having the time of its life along the shore at Langley. The bank was quite high with outcroppings of shale along its face. The tiny huetress would fly from one shelf to another scoring up insect life in the process. Some were so minute my eye couldn't pick them out but she'd flash out in a yellow curve and I'd hear her beak snap shut. She made over twenty kills in a few minutes. If it were not for our birds insect life would take over despite the latest in insecticides.

FIRST HUNS

The first covey of Huns of the 1958 crop was reported to me this week. It was large but the youngsters who saw it didn't linger to make the count. Their dog figured he was in for some snappy sport so they hurried him off home. It's too bad that some adults are not nearly so considerate of our wildlife. The Hun hatch is at its peak on July twelfth or thereabouts. Farmers who have moved over nests on or about July 12th reported the chicks ready to break out of their shells if they had not already started pecking small openings. Pheasants on the other hand often have their broods able to make short flights in early June.

Reports of bears having been seen are heard every few years. Recently a character from North Lake listened in on another like character from Upton relating an account of his meeting with a bear. According to his story he was returning from a troutling expedition. Darkness caught up with him before he got out of the woods. At a point on the trail where the path branched out into two forks he noticed a tall, dark bush standing beside one fork where he didn't remember a bush there before. Being of a curious nature he walked up to the bush and lit a match and found himself staring into the beady eyes of a big, black bear. According to his own story he exhibited most unusual presence of mind to which he attributed his life. Still holding the lighted match before his face he quietly backed away. To quote his own words "I took one fork and the bear took the other".

FISHING BEAR

Not to be outdone the North Lake resident told of an experience he had with a bear early this spring during smelt run. Quietly mooring along the brook at the head of North Lake he heard a crunching sound followed by loud smacks. A short distance farther on he came upon a huge black bear standing on a log and scooping out smelts. She'd bite the head off and chew it down and throw the best part of the smelt on the bank where her two cubs were curled up asleep. The bear uttered menacing growls but it didn't phase our North Lake character. He walked up the cubs and turned each one over with his foot. To quote his words: "One was a male and the other a female. They didn't wake up so I kept on walking" I'm very much a-

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Please send entries to the secretary,

J. S. Moore,

285 Kent Street, Charlottetown

- Owned by Charles F. Willis O'Leary, P.E.I.
3. Janet M. by Simco Harvester, Owned by Dr. Preston MacIntyre, Montague, P.E.I.
4. Izzie Reynard, by Watchim, Owned by George A. Calbeck, Summerside, P.E.I.
5. Loraine Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by Gardiner A. MacNeil, 174 Spring Street Summerside, P.E.I.
6. Bowers Boy, by Cyclonic, Owned by Allie MacInnis, 76 Spring Park Road, Charlottetown P.E.I.
7. Jolly Liz, by Jollity, Nominated by George Gregory, Parkdale, P.E.I., Owned by Lloyd Palmer, Box 160 Pictou, N.S.
8. Scott's Time, by Time Table Nominated by E.W. Turner, O'Leary, P.E.I. Owned by Albert W. MacLeod, 164 Waverly Ave. Moncton, N.B. and George Dumont, Presque Isle, Maine, U.S.A.
9. Argonaut, by Argot Pointer Owned by Dr. Temple Hooper, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
10. I'm Harvester, by Simco Harvester, Owned by Lester Rankin, Bumbury, R.R. 5, P.E.I.
11. Princess Jollity, by Jollity Owned by Collie Mackenzie, 21 Outram St. Truro, N.S.
12. Bertha Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by W.H. McDearmid and Chappell Co. Charlottetown, P.E.I.
13. Pepsi First, by Real Money Owned by Annear and Lowery, Montague, P.E.I.
14. J.P. Hal, by N.D. Hal, Nominated by Annear and Lowery, Montague, P.E.I. Owned by J.R. Calkin, Woodstock, N.B.
15. Extra Smart, by Basil Hanover, Owned by F. Robert Leard, Mt. Stewart, R.R. 3, P.E.I.
16. Laurel Lass, by Ill Conto Owned by George H. Brookins, Kensington, P.E.I.
17. Long Dan, by Real Money Owned by Harry Green, Morell P.E.I.
18. Lee Cyclonic, by Cyclonic, Nominated by Lloyd Walker, Halifax, N.S. Owned by Winston McKay, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
19. Miss Miramichi, by Fast Train, Owned by Wm. A. McCombs, Newcastle, N.B.
20. Belle Texas, by Texas Hanover, Owned by Mapco Stables (Ralph Somers, Agent) Summerside, P.E.I.
21. Texas First, by Texas Hanover, Owned by Mapco Stables (Ralph Somers, Agent) Summerside, P.E.I.
22. Noreen Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg, Owned by Norman Reeves and Vernal Webster, Summerside, R.R. 3, P.E.I.
- 3 YEAR OLD TROT**
1. Nellie's Pride, by America's Ace, Owned by Charles F. Willis O'Leary, P.E.I.

NOTICE

Horsemen are reminded that the second payment of \$20 to the Halligonian Stake for three year old trotters and pacers is due on July 15th and must be forwarded to:

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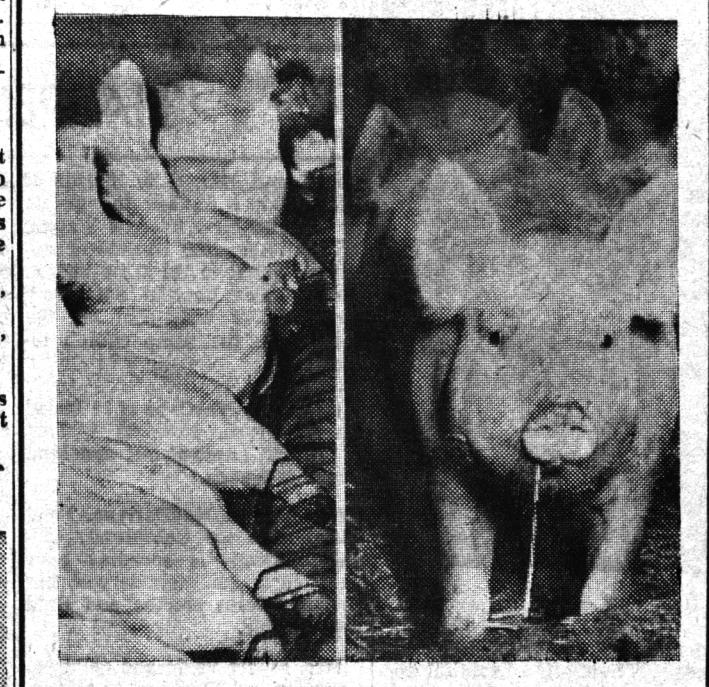
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9. Joe Clegg, by Abner T. Clegg Owned by R.S. Humphrey, Kensington, P.E.I.
- 4 YEAR OLD TROT**
1. Jady Lakeburn, by Lakeburn, Owned by Dr. J.T. Akins, Fredericton, N.B.
2. Winston Budlong, by Calumet Budlong, Owned by Lorne Kelly, Charlottetown R.R. 5, P.E.I.
3. Mr. B.H., by Simco Harvester, Owned by B.L. Howatt, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
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- NO. 1—THE HARRY O'BRIEN FREE FOR ALL**
PURSE \$1,600.00
2 Dashes at \$800.00 a Dash
To be raced Monday Night—Entrance 3%—\$48.00
Declaration for this event Saturday, August 9th, at 2:00 p.m.
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Entrance \$54.00
- NO. 4—FREE FOR ALL TROT**
PURSE \$1,200.00
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Entrance \$36.00
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A Pace & A Trot 2.12-4 to 2.13-4 B Trot 2.13 to 2.15
B Pace 2.14 to 2.14-4 C Trot 2.15-1 to 2.16-1
C PACE 2.15 to 2.15-4 D Trot 2.16-2 to 2.19
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